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TO

Amend the Law concerning the Peerage of Ireland.

A.D. 1878.

WHEREAS it is expedient that Peerages should no longer be created which do not confer the right to sit and vote in the House of Lords:

And whereas in the second Session of the present Parliament of Her Majesty Queen Victoria an humble Address was presented to Her Majesty by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, praying Her Majesty that the power conferred on Her Majesty under the Act of Union for the creation of Irish Peers might not stand in the way of the consideration by Parliament of any measure relating thereto that might be introduced:

And whereas to the said Address Her Majesty was graciously pleased to return the following answer: "Relying on the wisdom of Parliament I do not desire that the powers reserved to Me by the Act of Union of making creations and promotions in the Peerage of Ireland should stand in the way of the consideration by Parliament of any measure that may be introduced on that subject":

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. So much of the Acts passed in the Parliaments of Great Britain and Ireland respectively "for the union of Great Britain and Ireland," as authorises Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, to create Peers of that part of the United Kingdom called Ireland, is hereby repealed.

2. This Act may be cited as "The Irish Peerage Act, 1877."

40 Geo. 3. c. 57.
(G. R.) and
39 & 40 Geo. 3.
c. 55, (L.), so far
as relates to
creating Peers
of Ireland,
repealed.

Short title.

[Bill 78.]

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*(Proposed and brought on by
Mr. Pender, Mr. Henry Sturt, and
Mr. Bouverie.)*

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